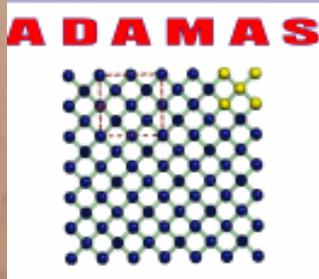


**list**  
cea tech



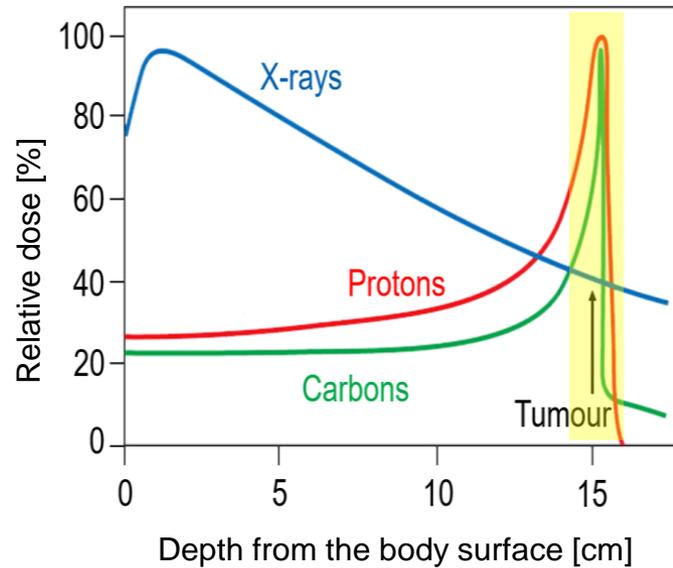
## UPDATE ON DIAMOND BASED MICRODOSIMETRY IN HADRONTHERAPY

Michal Pomorski et al, CEA-LIST Diamond Sensors Laboratory

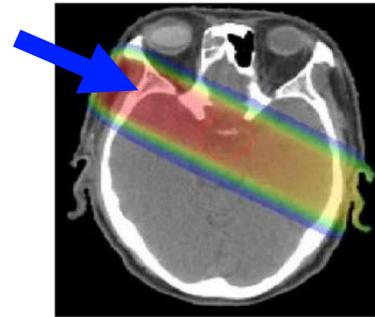
8<sup>th</sup> ADAMAS Workshop ,GSI Darmstadt, Germany, 09-10th December 2019

- Introduction and motivation
- Diamond membrane microdosimeter prototypes and performance
  - Readout and DAQ
- Clinical beamtimes and simulations
  - What next

# HADRONTHERAPY

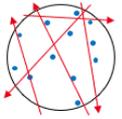


## Photons (SPARSELY ionizing radiation)



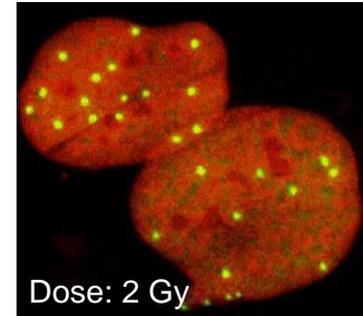
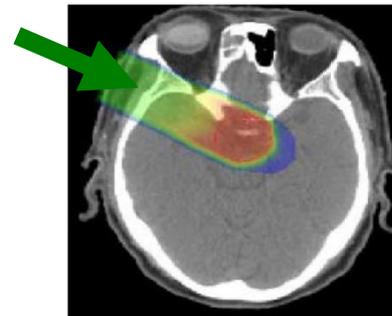
Dose: 2 Gy

[A. Rosenfeld]



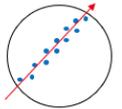
Low LET

## Ions (DENSELY ionizing radiation)



Dose: 2 Gy

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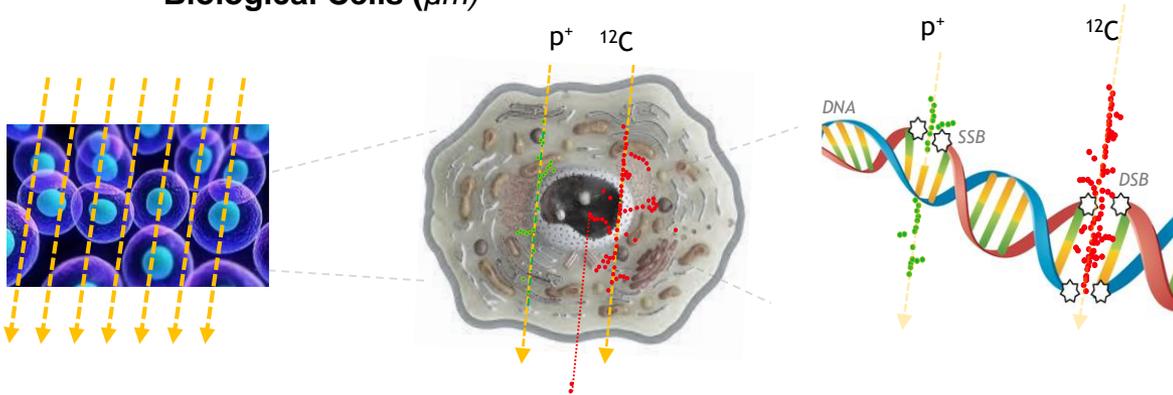


High LET

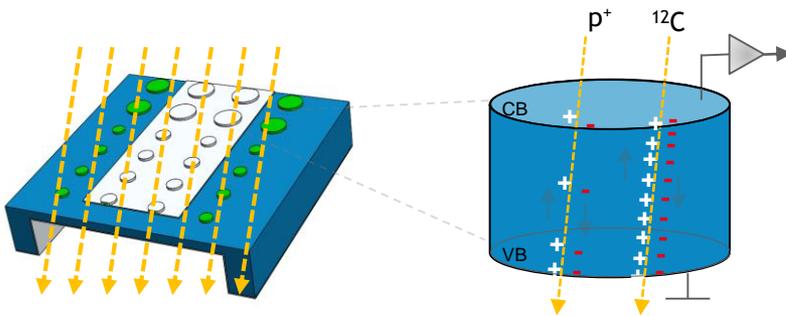
Same Dose **but different** (Relative) Biological Effectiveness (RBE)

# RELATIVE BIOLOGICAL EFFECTIVENES

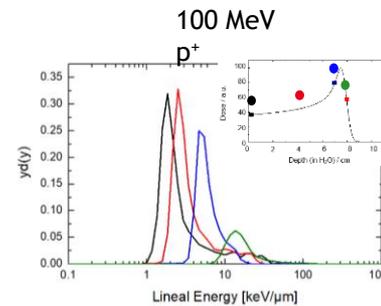
Biological Cells ( $\mu\text{m}$ )



Micro-Sensitive-Volumes ( $\mu\text{SVs}$ )  
in microdosimeter ( $\mu\text{m}$ )



LET

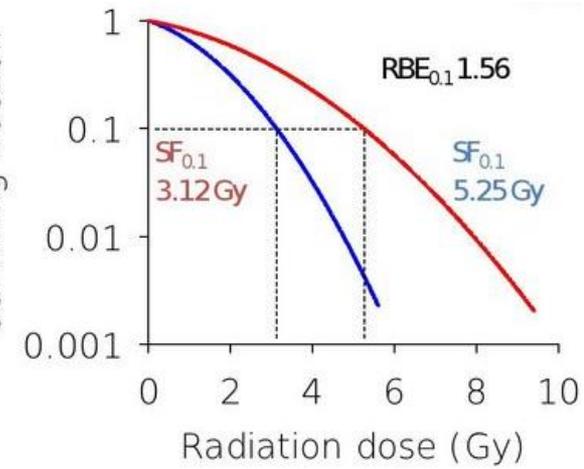


direct

RBE



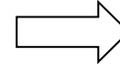
Surviving fraction



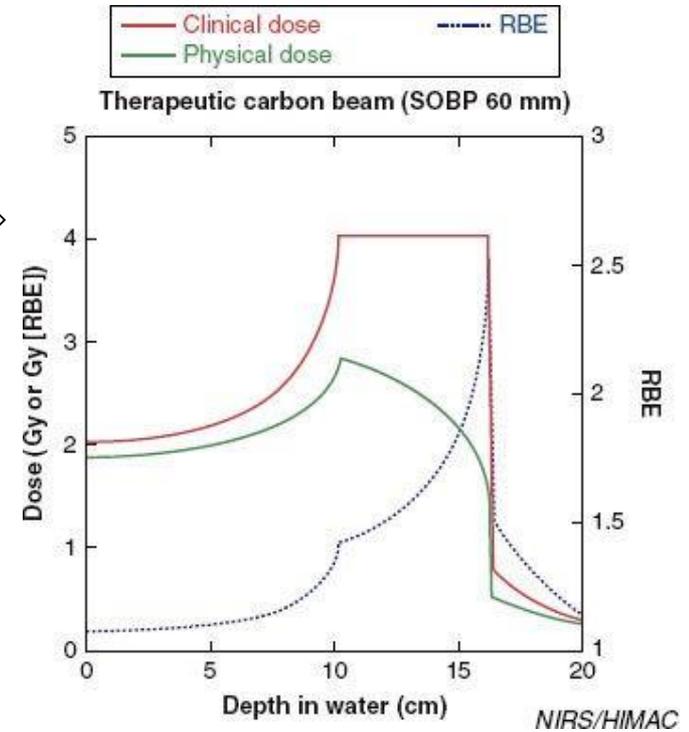
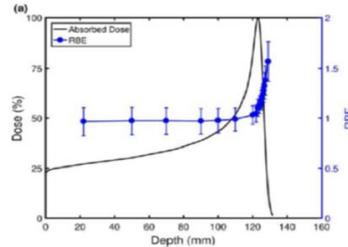
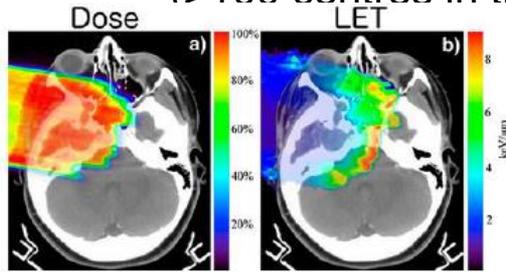
model

# MICRODOSIMETRY

RBE weighted treatment plan is standard for **C** therapy  
(13 centres in the world)



For instance **RBE (1.1) effect neglected in proton therapy**  
(>100 centres in the world, 3 in France)



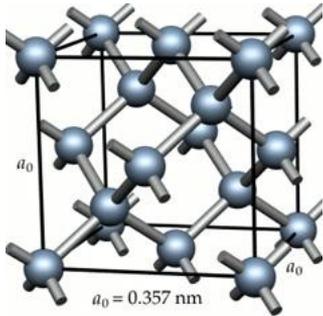
Problems: necrosis of healthy tissue, secondary cancer

**2020 → First RBE weighted treatment plans planned for p in France (IC-CPO)**

Need for reliable, radiation hard, high spatial resolution,  
microdosimetric system - commercial systems does not exists

R&D on microdosimetric systems is ongoing – miniTEPC, Silicon, **Diamond**

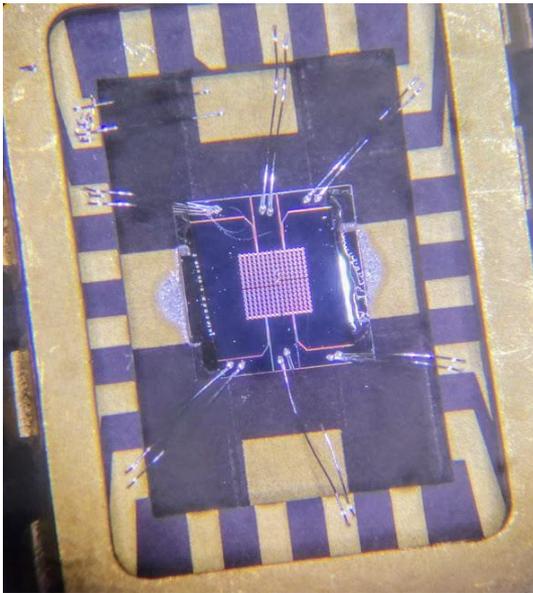
# ADVENTAGES OF DIAMOND



Large band-gap (5.5eV) semiconductor

A solid-state ionization chamber  
(soon a proportional chamber(?))

more tissue equivalent ( $Z=6$ ) and radiation hard (43 eV)



- + no leakage current and no need for p-n junction
- + fast drift velocity for e-h
- + low capacitance
- + high electrical breakdown ( $> 1000 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$ )
- + VIS light and temp. insensitivity



- high  $\sim 13 \text{ e-h/eV}$  - lower signal
- it's diamond (for instance pls. forget 6' wafers)

since 2002 high purity electronic grade CVD diamond available commercially  
Nowadays 'boom' of man made diamond for jewellery + quantum sensors



# CONSORTIUM

## CEA partners (PTC-CEA October 2017 → 2020) Health Physics Instrumentation :



CEA founded PhD thesis from 2017 (3 years)  
**Iza Zahradnik**



## National partners (INSERM November 2018 → 2020):



Diamond membrane based microdosimetric **system** for radiation quality assurance in hadron therapy



INSERM founded PostDoc from 2020 (1 year)  
**Sayo Loto**

## International partners:

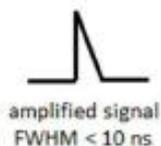


# MICRODOSIMETRIC SYSTEM

diamond membrane  
microdosimeter



Fast low-noise  
pre-amplifiers

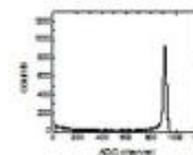


Faster read-out



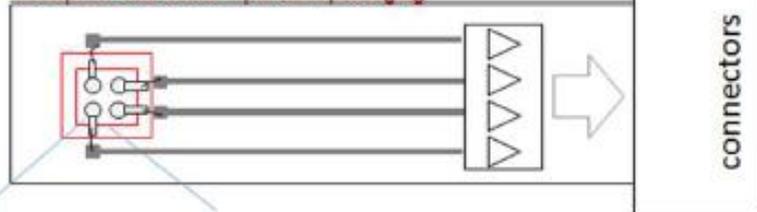
Digital waveforms  
and signal processing

Data processing and  
display



spectra display

waterproof and tissue equivalent packaging

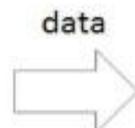


connectors



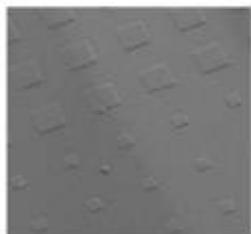
coax

FASTER DAQ

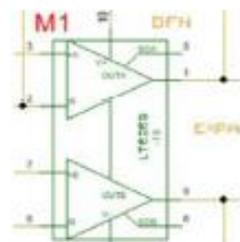


data

PC + GUI



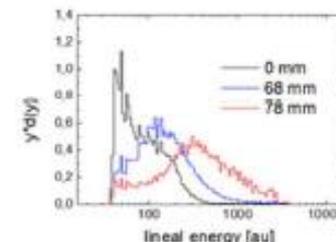
Signal generation in  
multiple micro-SVs  
arranged in desired  
geometrical pattern.



Intrinsic  
signal amplification



Analog-to-digital  
conversion  
signal parameters (A,Q)



Derivation and display  
of microdosimetric spectra

# DIAMOND MEMBRANES

## Free standing scCVD diamond membranes

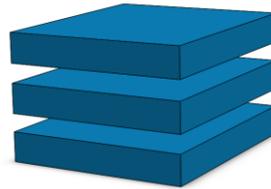
Commercial scCVD samples

Thickness: 300 – 500  $\mu\text{m}$



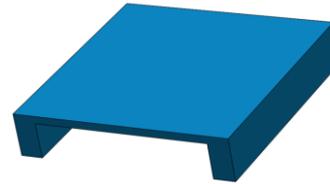
Laser slicing & polishing

30 – 60  $\mu\text{m}$



Ar/O<sub>2</sub> deep etching

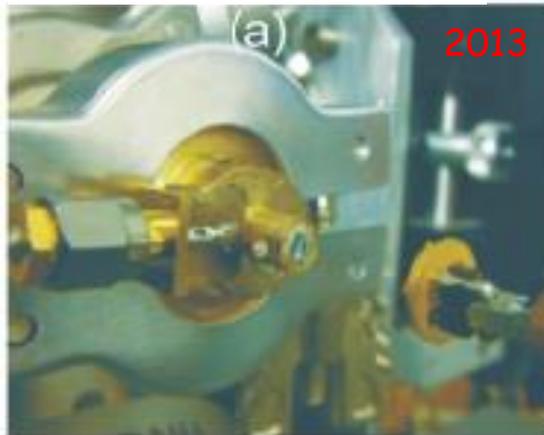
2-10  $\mu\text{m}$



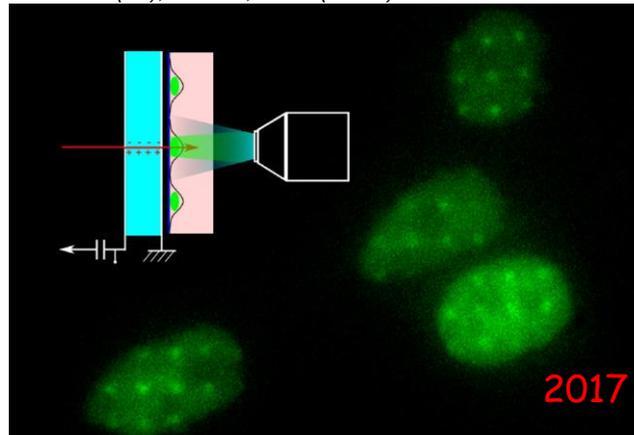
M. Pomorski et al., *Appl. Phys. Lett.* 103, 112106, 2013

## Solid-state 'active' vacuum window ionization chamber for external micro beams

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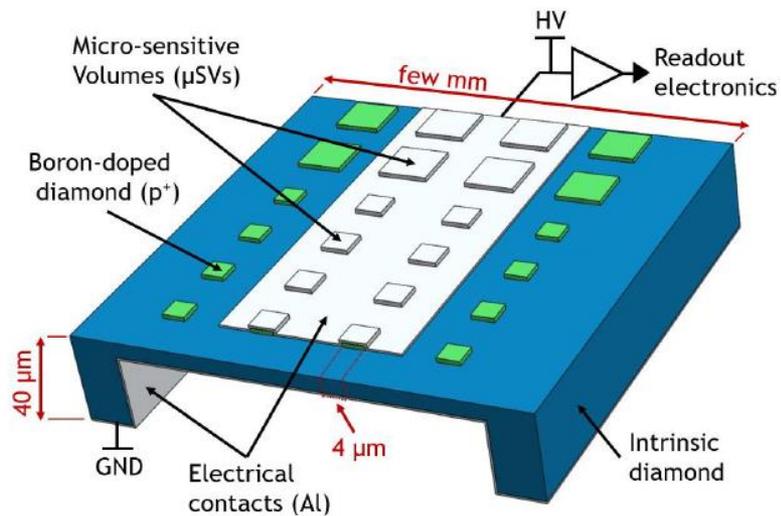


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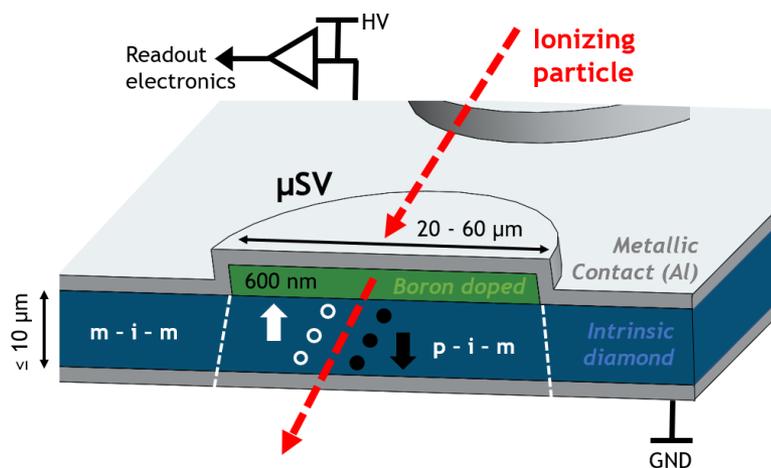
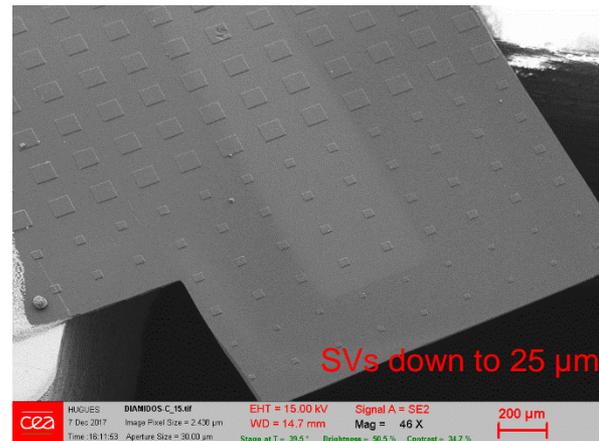


# P+ SENSOR

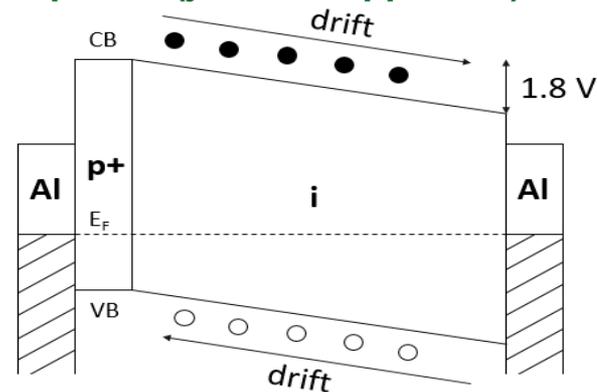
scCVD diamond membrane DIA $\mu$ DOS p+ microdosimeter fabrication:



SEM Image



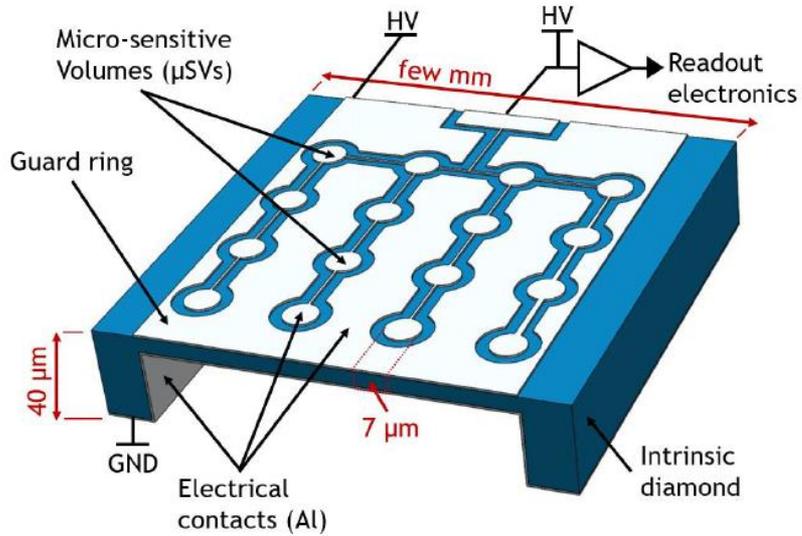
p+-i-m (junction approach)



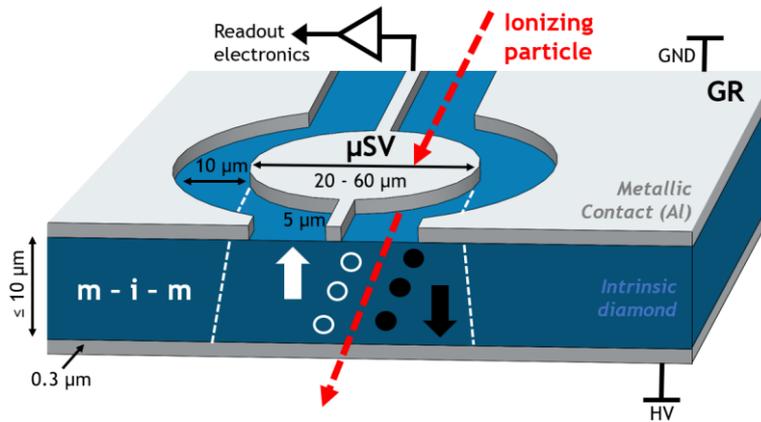
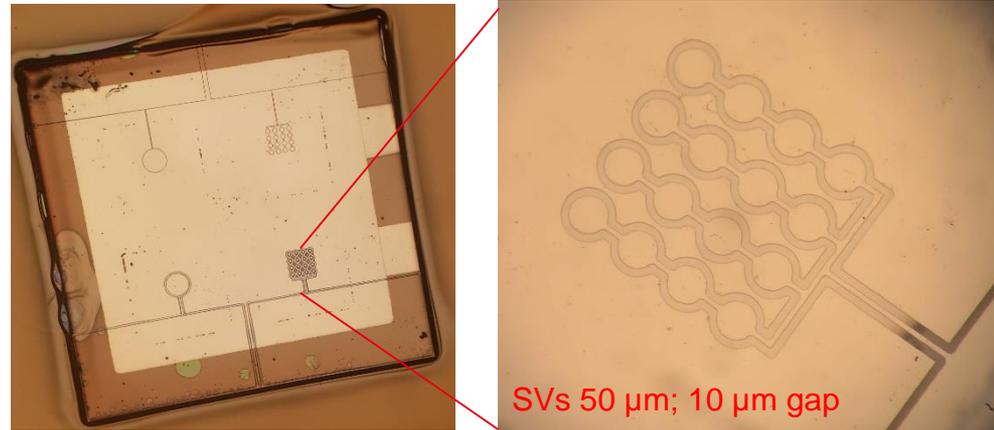
Self-biased bias, fully depleted

# GUARD-RING (GR) SENSOR

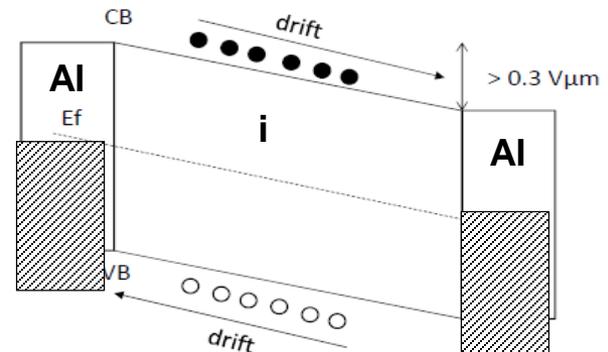
scCVD diamond membrane DIAμDOS guard- ring microdosimeter:



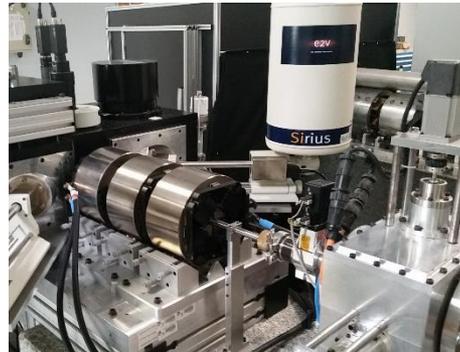
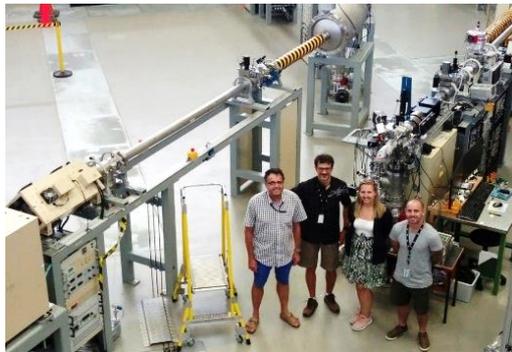
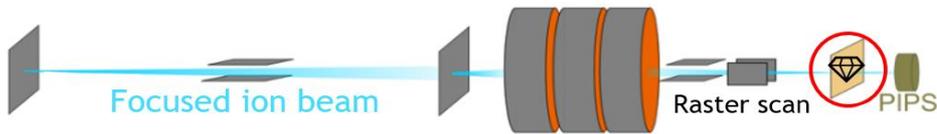
## Microscopic Image



## m-i-m (ionization chamber approach)



## IBIC (Ion Beams Induced Current):



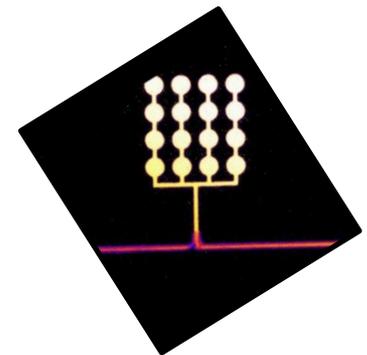
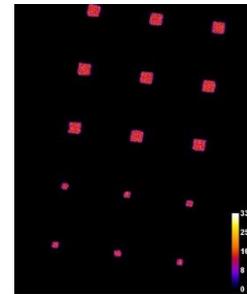
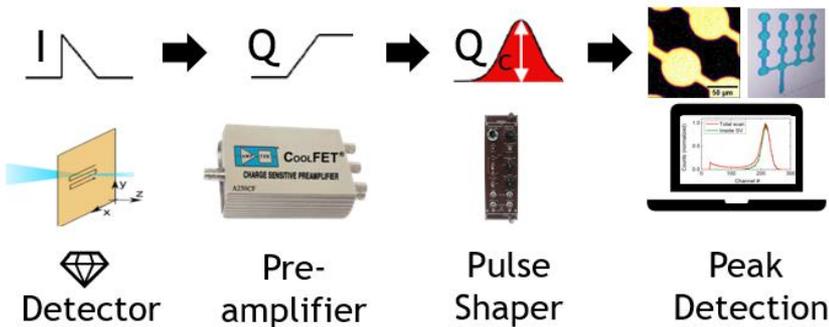
- Single ion irradiation (precision: 1 micron)
- Raster scanning + pulse height spectra
- Charge transport maps ( $\mu\text{SV}$  definition)
- Well controlled projectile Energy and LET

Perfect tool to test new types of microdosimeters before implementing in clinical conditions

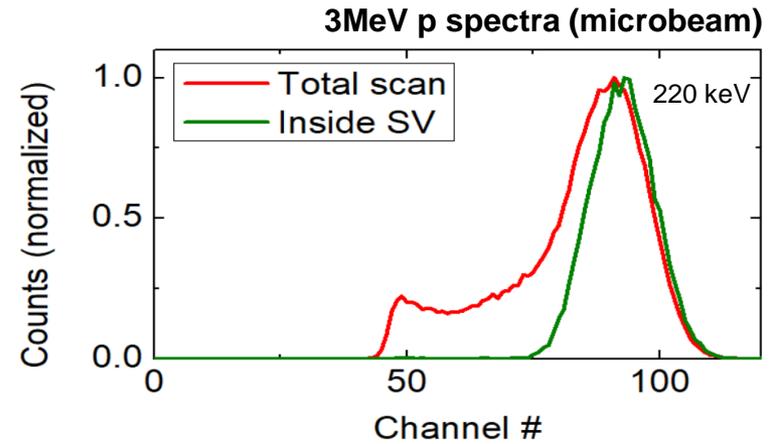
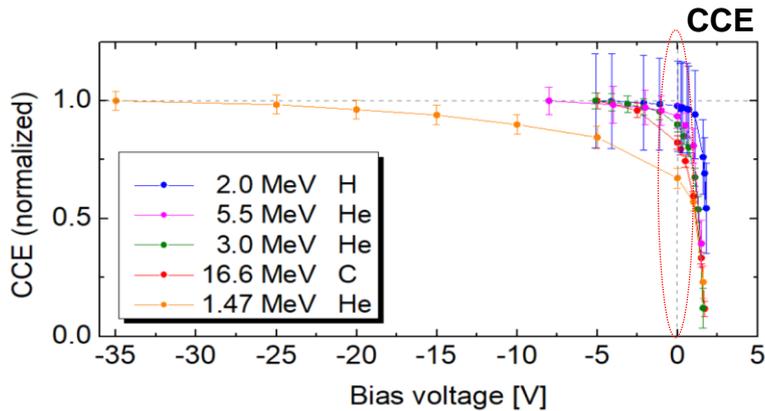
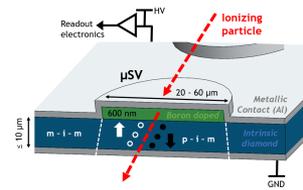
## IBIC global response of diamond

P+ GR

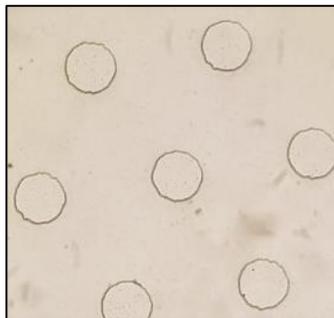
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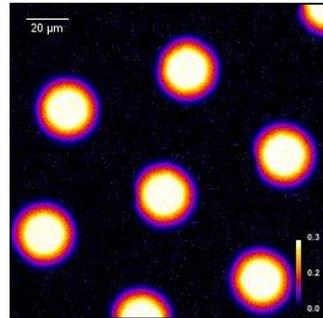
# P+ SENSOR PERFORMANCE



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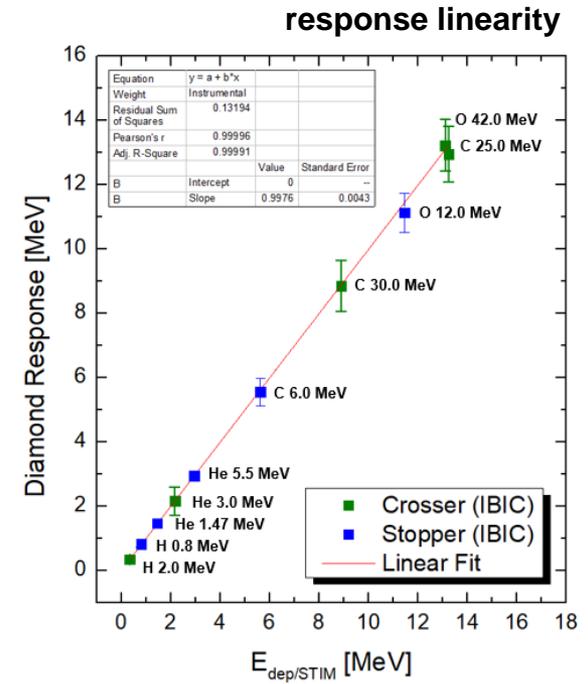
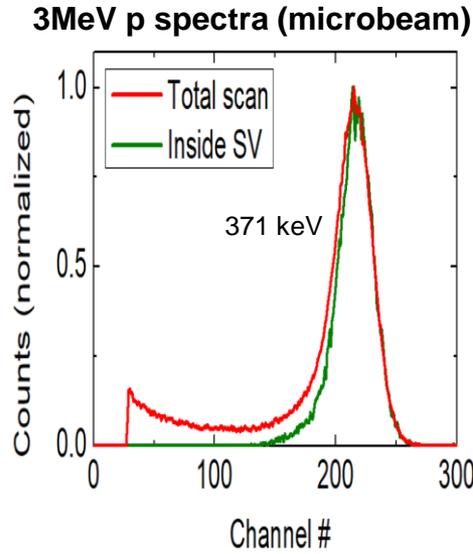
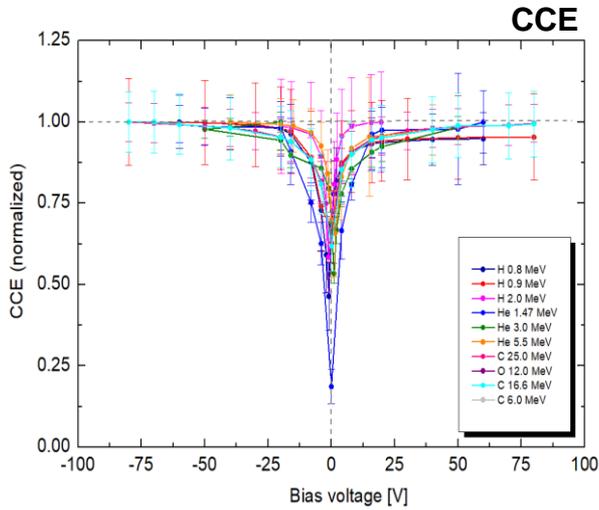
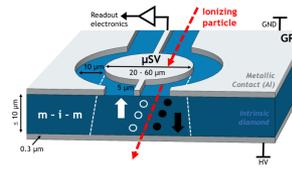


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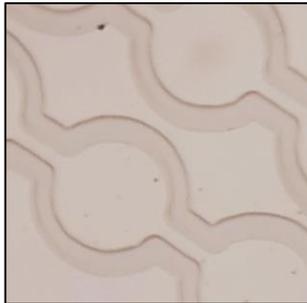


- **self-biased sensor** = no external HV
- low noise = dark current  $\ll 1$  pA
- full CCE for p
- **CCE inefficiency for heavier ions**
- Radhard
- Spectroscopic quality similar to Si

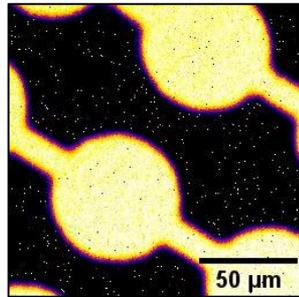
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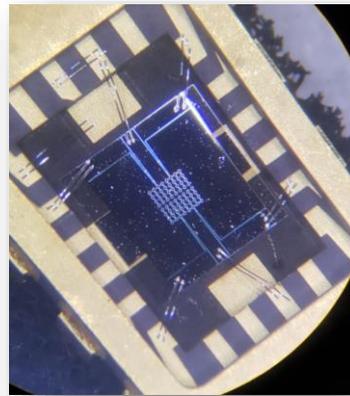
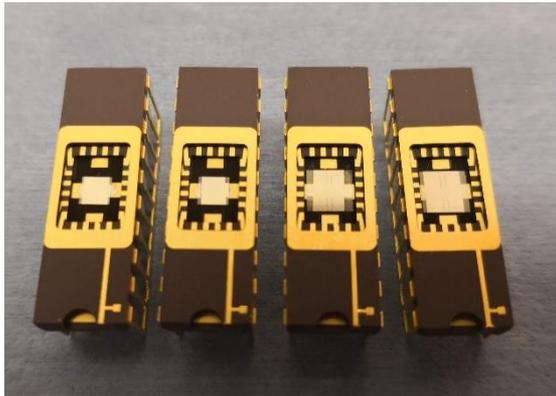
IBIC



- external HV (5-20V)
- low noise, leakage current pA
- full CCE for p and C (+ others)
- Linear for various LET
- Radhard + compensation with HV
- Spectroscopic quality similar to Si
- **universal sensor**

# SENSOR INTEGRATION

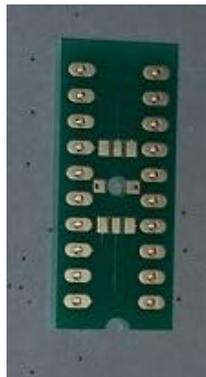
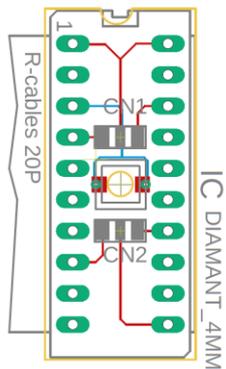
## ceramic commercial DIL20



Universal ceramic DIL20 mounting:

- easy to exchange between various readouts for R&D
- sensors microbonding@SPEC
- needed custom modification (laser cut)

## custom DIL20 pcb



Standard FR4 pcb for carrying on the sensor:

- cheap, easy to fabricate and modify ..
- system of pin connectors compatible with DIL20 socket

Ready for next sensors' mounting in 2020

# READOUT - PREAMPS

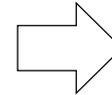
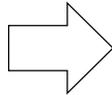
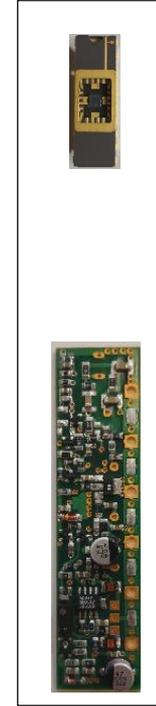
pcb



pcb +  
Amptek A250 (test board)



Pcb +  
2-4 A250 (full integration 2020)



Diamond sensors are compatible with microPlus probe developed @ UoW for Si microdosimeters

**FASTER** is a **modular** digital acquisition system based upon a synchronized tree model

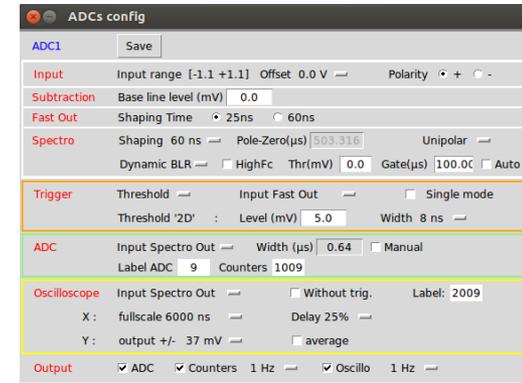


FADC    electrometer    HV

**FASTER** uses the following standards:

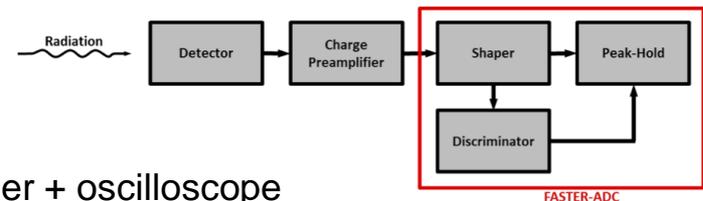
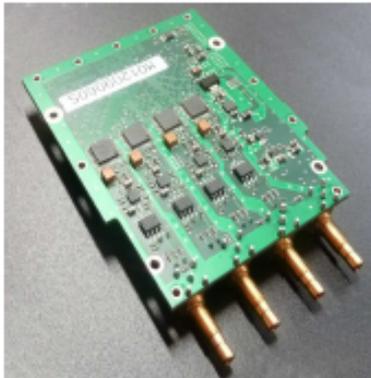
- UDP/IP protocol
- Ethernet gigabit connection
- NIM or microTCA crate
- VITA 57 daughter boards
- QDC, FADC, electrometer, HV

a firmware + software controller+ GUI



**MOSAHR: Reduced usage but higher resolution, mainly for spectroscopic purposes**

- ▶ 4 channels = 4 FADC (125 MHz, 14 Bits)
- ▶  $\pm 1$  V,  $\pm 2$  V,  $\pm 5$  V,  $\pm 10$  V input dynamic range on  $10\text{ k}\Omega$  (switch selection)
- ▶ Noise:  $1\text{ lsbrms} \approx 130\ \mu\text{Vrms}$  ( $\pm 1$  V range)
- ▶ Bandwidth = 25 MHz
- ▶ Crosstalk isolation  $> 97$  DB

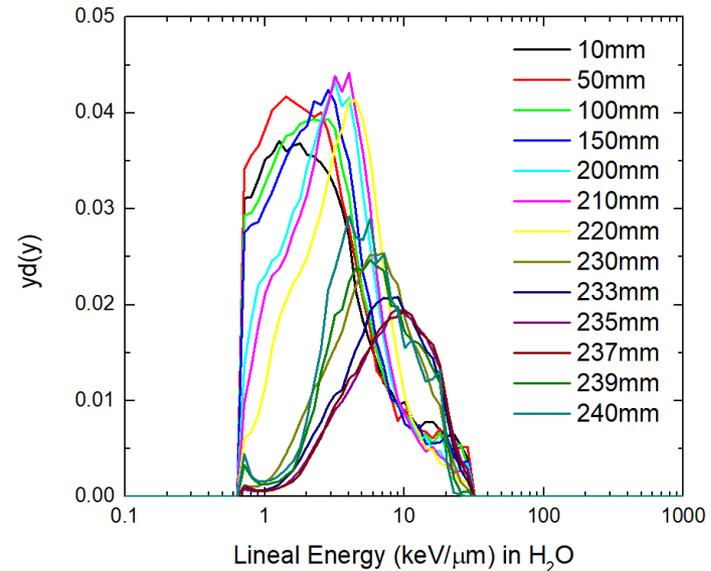
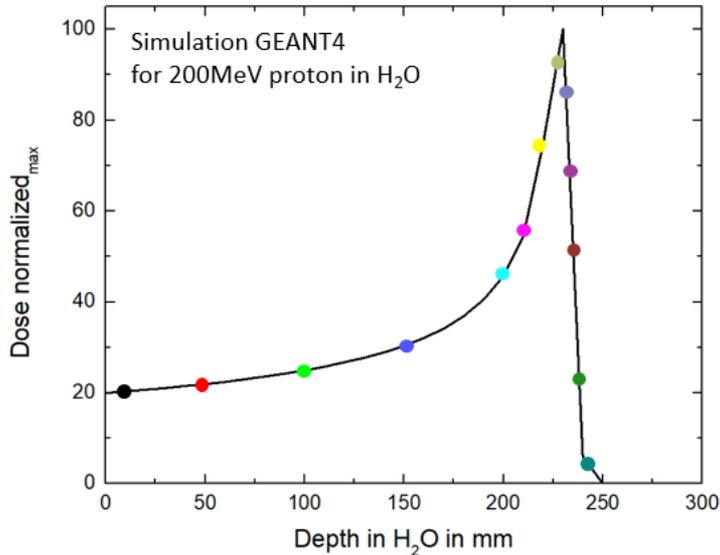
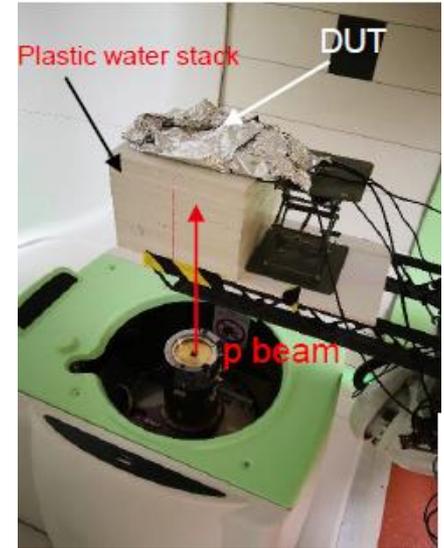


tunable high dynamic range + shaper + oscilloscope

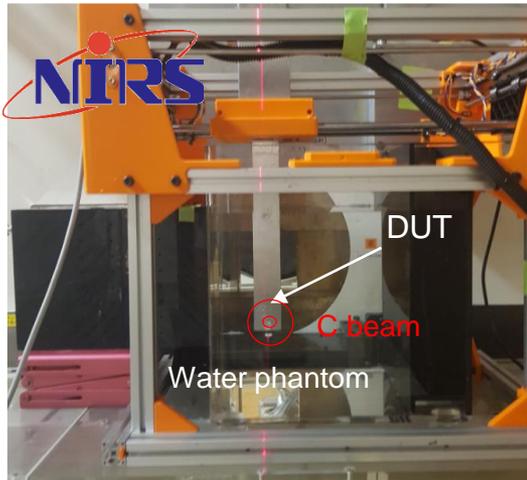
# CLINICAL MEASUREMENTS AND SIMULATIONS



Proton Therapy Center @ IC-CPO Orsay  
**200 MeV proton beam**  
**GR microdosimeter with analog amp**  
**and FASTER readout**



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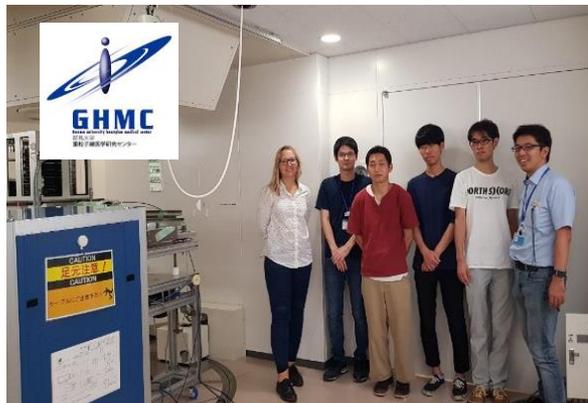


HIMAC @ NIRS Chiba, Japan  
**290 MeV carbon, 230 MeV Si beams**  
**GR microdosimeter**  
 with Micro+probe readout

CENTRE FOR  
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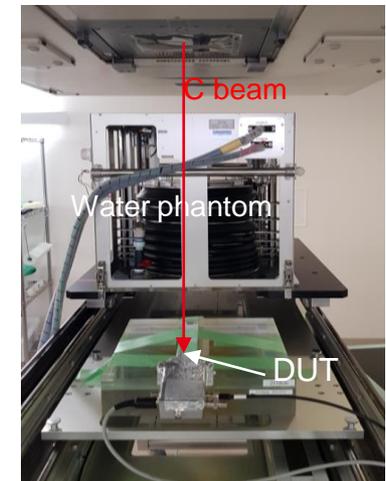
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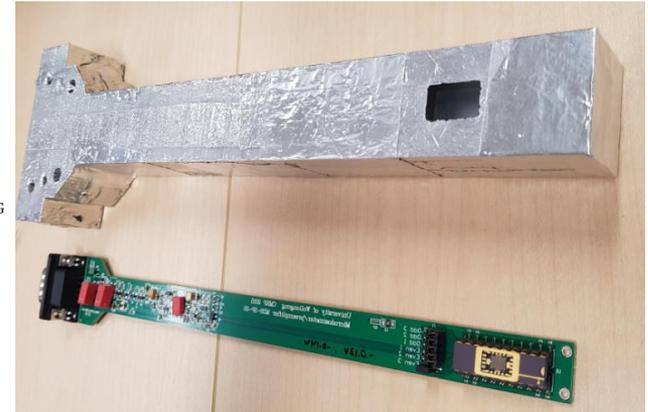
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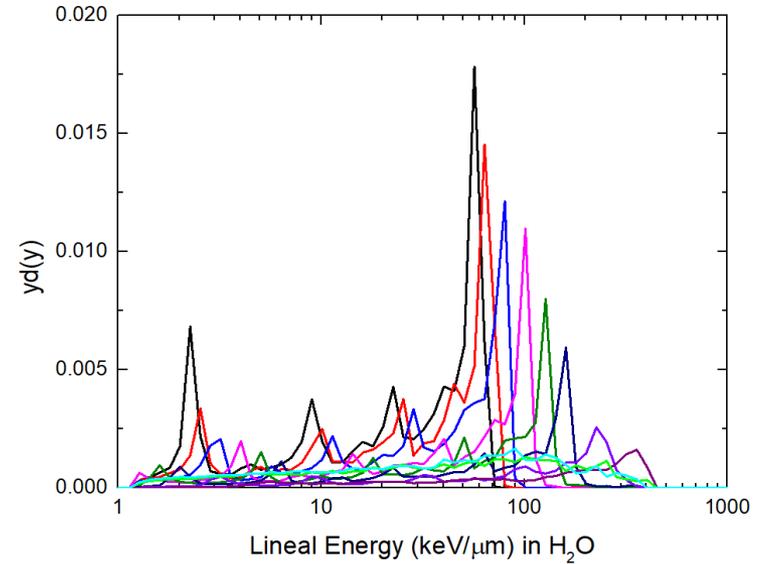
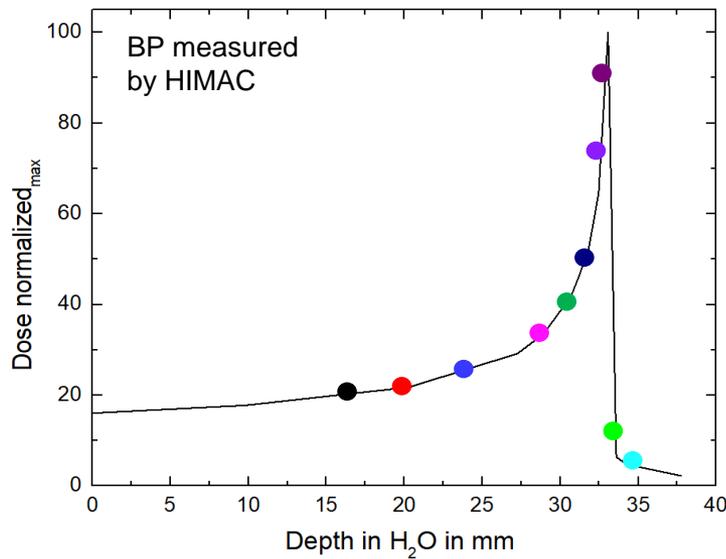
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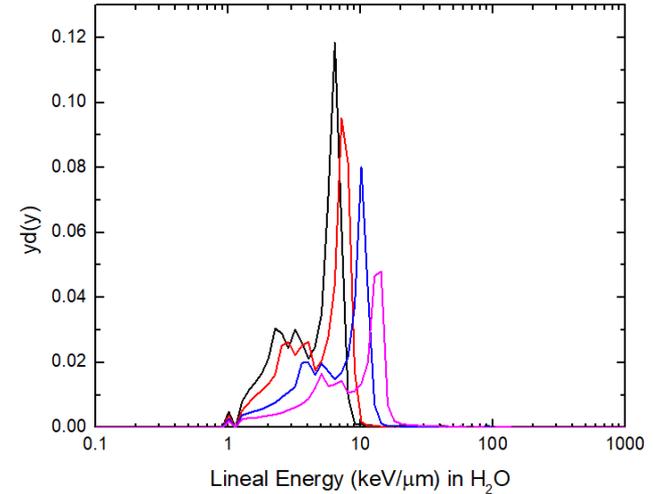
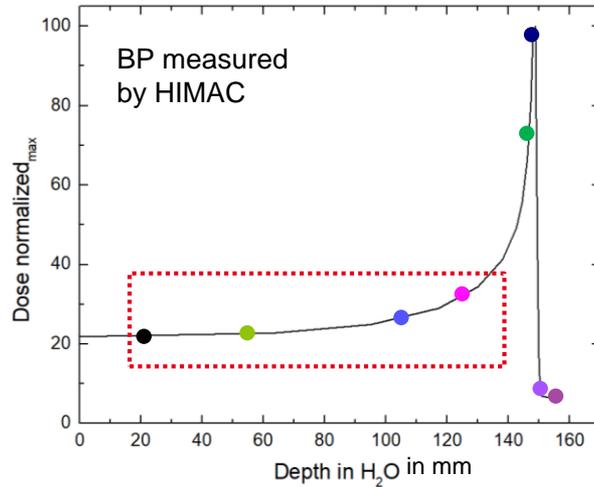


## 230 MeV Si

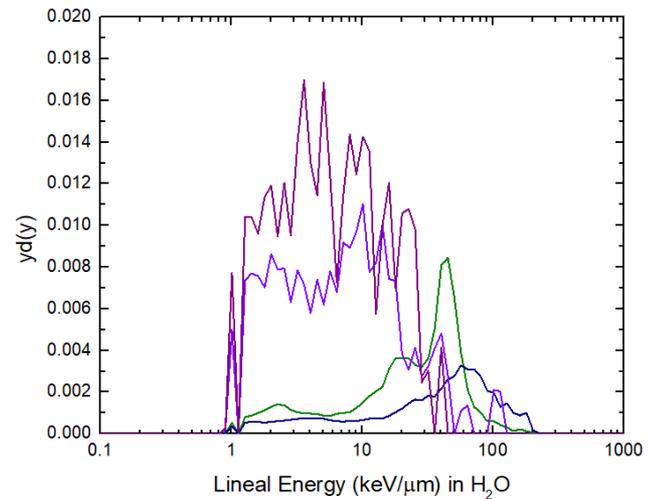
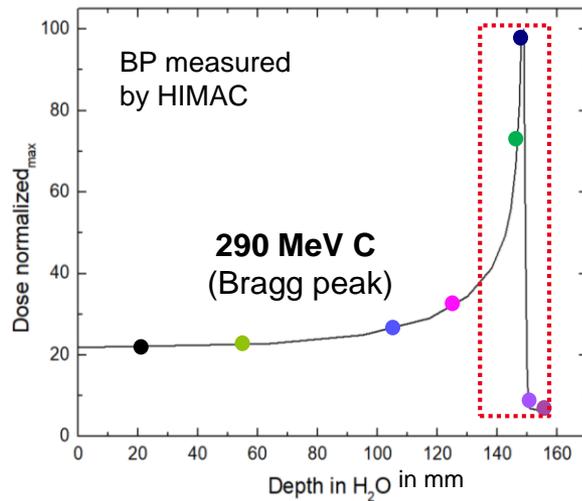


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290 MeV C (plateau)



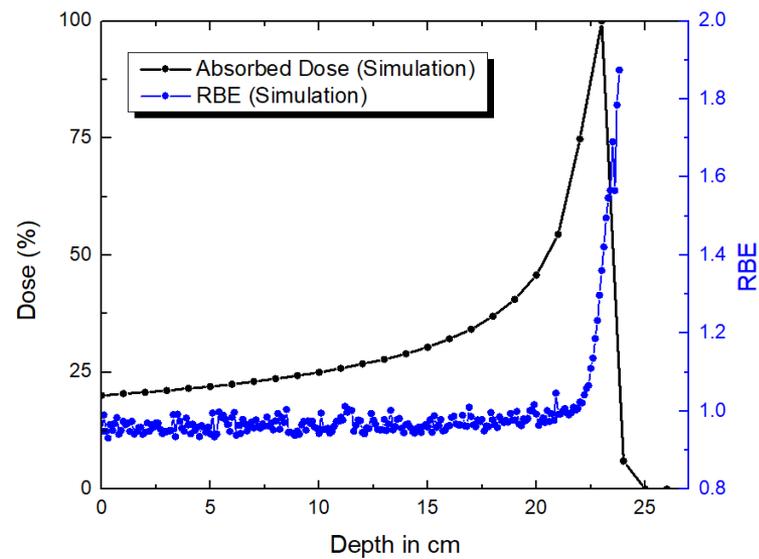
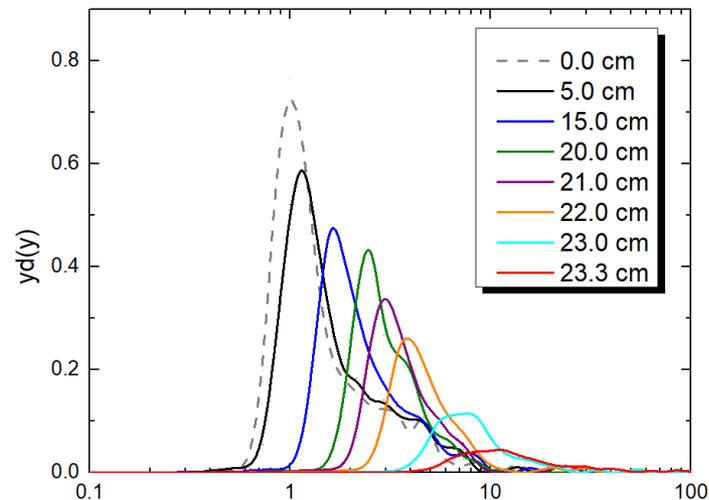
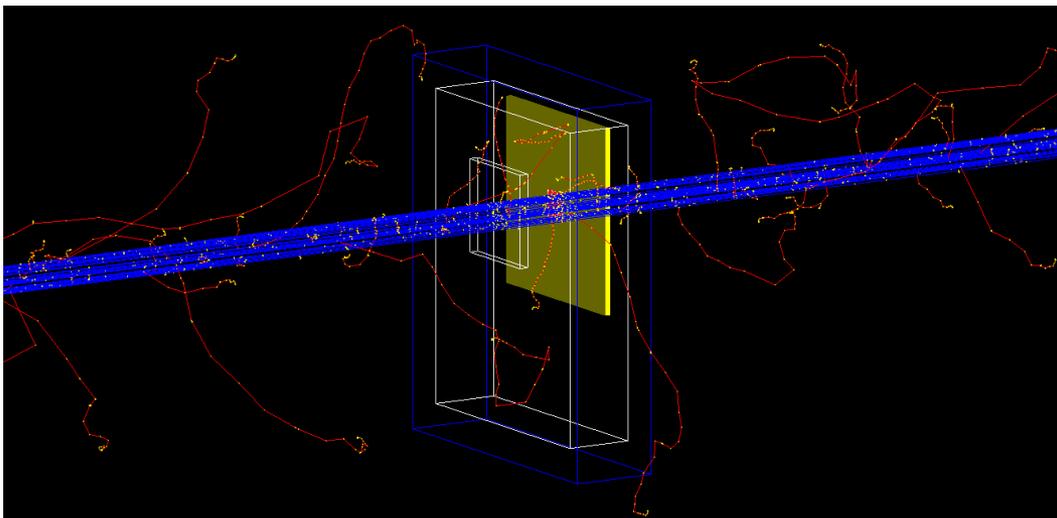
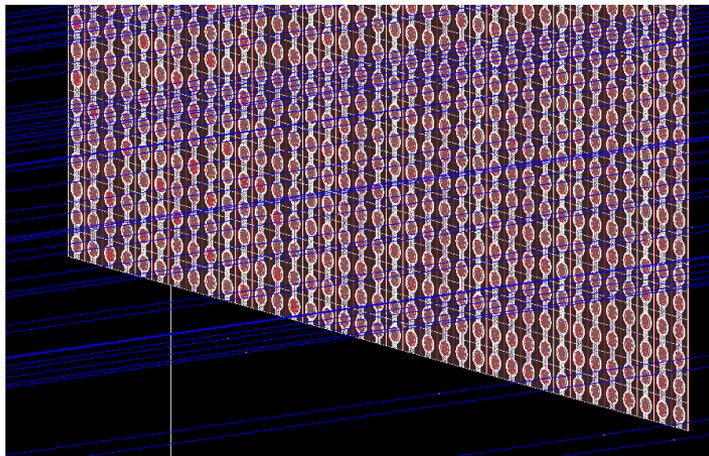
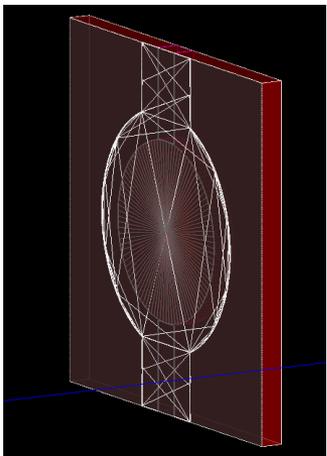
290 MeV C (BP + down stream )



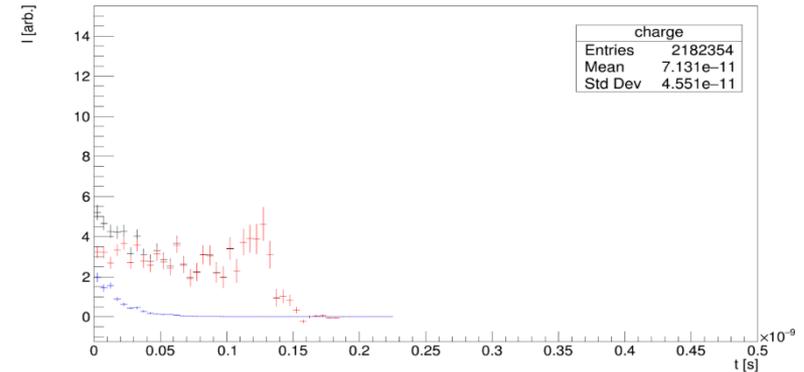
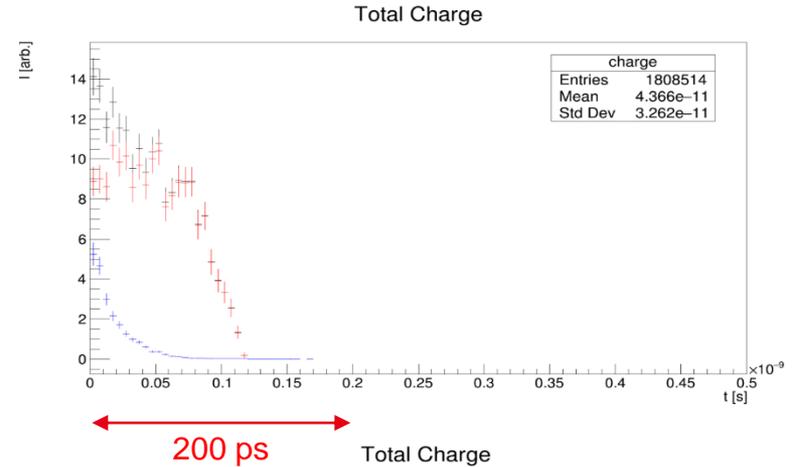
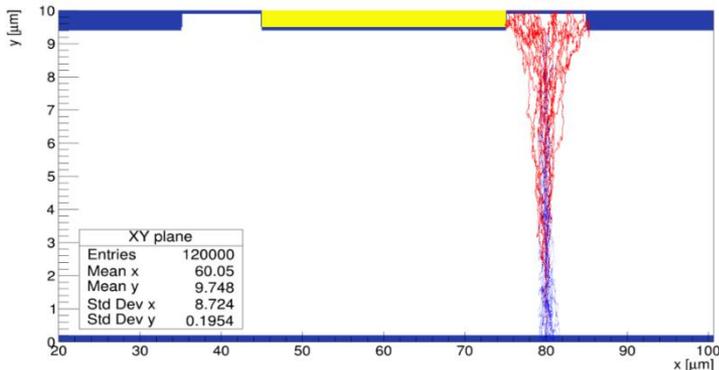
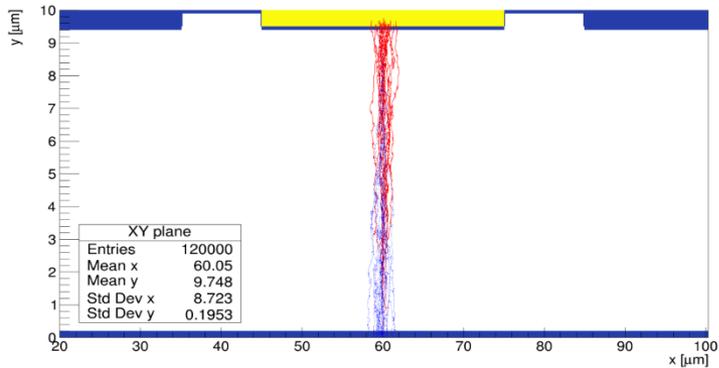
# Benchmarking with MC Simulations

GEANT 4 (clinical beam sensor interaction)

200 MeV p beam



Charge sharing: 2D model *Guard-Ring*; 30  $\mu\text{m}$  electrode, 10  $\mu\text{m}$  gap, 10  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness



Freeware, based on ROOT 3D semiconductor detectors simulation software

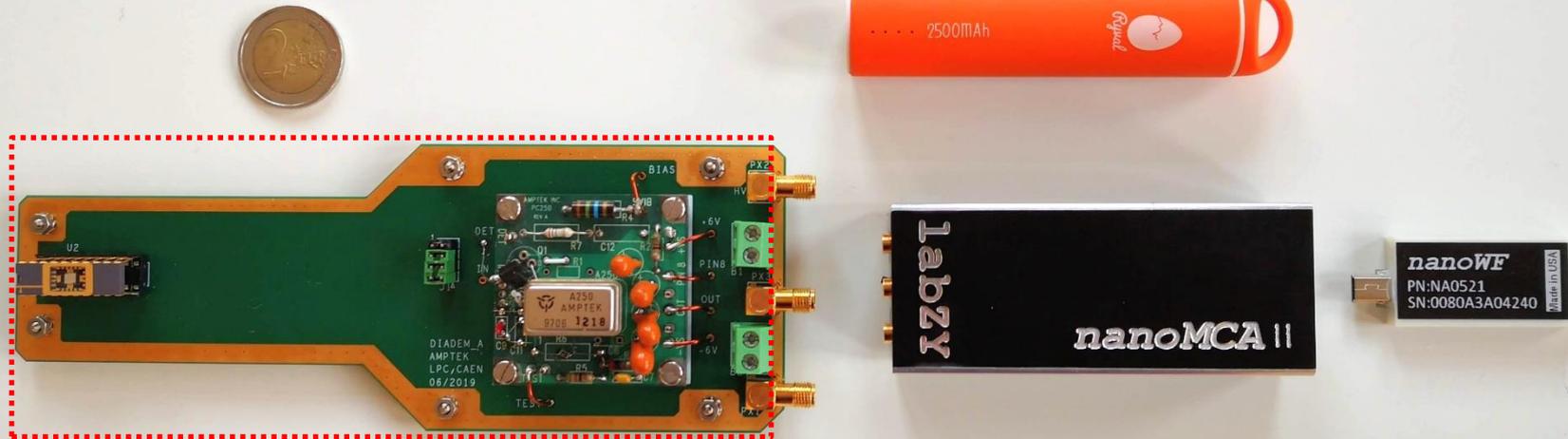
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## WHAT NEXT – SENSOR GO FULLY 3D

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One block PMMA water-proof packaging (here dashed line)

Custom made power bank:  
Preamp, MCA+wifi powering  
Detector bias (10-20V)

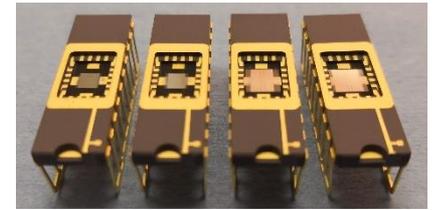


diamond sensor  
DIL20 packaged

Pcb with integrated  
preamp. Here A250  
amptek with its test  
board

MCA – signal shaping,  
amplification,  
digitalization,  
Spectra acquisition  
digital pulser  
1 channel

Wi-fi module  
for remote  
WLAN connection



- **scCVD diamond membranes have a great potential for solid-state microdosimetry**
  - p<sup>+</sup>: Full CCE (proton) @ 0V, well-defined  $\mu\text{SV}$
  - GR: Full CCE (for all tested ions) @ +/-20V, well-defined  $\mu\text{SV}$
  - First Lineal Energy Measurements in Clinical Proton, Carbon Beams (promising)
  - Readout and system integration in progress
  
- **Issues to be addressed soon:**
  - Sensors: go fully 3D
  - On board dedicated electronics - fully portable system (sensor+amp+MCA+battery operation)
  - Clinical beams characterization

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Diamond-Membrane-Microdosimeter-Collaboration

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Diamond membrane based microdosimetric system  
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